Clay County Kansas

Media Statement September 15, 2004

On September 13, 2004 at approximately 10:00 p.m. Clay county Emergency Services received a call advising of a shooting at 1018 Limestone Road, Clay Center, Kansas. Clay County Sheriff's office, Clay Center Police department and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation have been conducting an investigation into the incident. One person was shot and killed, a Matthew H. Werner, DOB 5-16-74 of Fort Riley, Kansas and another seriously wounded, a Christopher D. Hymer, 1-15-81, also of Fort Riley, Kansas.

This morning charges of first degree murder and attempted first degree murder are being filed against Aaron R. Stanley, DOB 1-15-82 of Fort Riley, Kansas, and Eric J. Colvin, DOB 6-24-81 by Clay County Attorney Doug Martin. These are merely accusations at this time and both men are presumed innocent until and unless proven in a court of law. Under Supreme Court rules and in respect for the defendant's constitutional rights, we are unable to divulge additional details of the crimes. First appearance on the charges will be later today before Judge Paul Wright, at which time the court will review bond and set the date for preliminary hearing.

To the extent possible.